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FM AMEMBASSY CANBERRA
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 5023
INFO USMISSION EC BRUSSELS
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GENEVA FOR MTN DELEGATION

3.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ETRD, GATT, AS

SUBJ: MTN: TRADE NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE

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1. IN ACCORDANCE REFTTEL, EMBASSY INCORPORATED ITS
SUBSTANCE IN LETTER TO MCKAY, SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT
OF OVERSEAS TRADE, AND USED LETTER AS OCCASION FOR
GENERAL REVIEW FEB. 7 WITH FOGARTY, FIRST ASSISTANT
SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT OF OVERSEAS TRADE, AT WHICH
CRAWFORD, CHIEF OF GATT SECTION, ALSO PRESENT.

2. FOGARTY WELCOMED LETTER TO MCKAY, AND INDICATED
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GOA ALSO HAD BENEFITTED FROM DETAILED BRIEFING ON

U.S. VIEWS RESPECTING MTN DURING OVERSEAS TRADE
MINISTER CREAN'S TALKS WITH AMBASSADOR EBERLE RECENTLY
IN WASHINGTON. AUSTRALIAN TNC DELEGATION PREVIOUSLY
BRIEFED ON CREAN-EBERLE TALKS.

3. FOGARTY AND CRAWFORD INDICATED GOA HAS NO DIFFICULTY
WITH U.S. PROPOSALS PARA 2 REFTEL FOR SUBSTANTIVE
NEGOTIATIONS TO BEGIN IMMEDIATELY AFTER FEB. 11 TNC
MEETING. THEY EMPHASIZED AUSTRALIAN VIEW THAT FORTH-
COMING MTN MUST NOT BE PURELY "TARIFF" ROUND AND THAT
AGRICULTURAL NEGOTIATIONS SHOULD NOT BE COMPARTMENTALIZED.
THEY VOICED AGAIN TRADITIONAL AUSTRALIA CONCERN THAT ANY
AUSTRALIAN MOVE ON INDUSTRIAL TARIFFS MUST BE BALANCED BY
SUBSTANTIAL BENEFITS FOR AUSTRALIAN AGRICULTURAL EXPORTS.
CRAWFORD VOLUNTEERED THAT A RECENT GOA STUDY SHOWED LESS
THAN 10 PERCENT OF AUSTRALIAN EXPORTS WOULD BENEFIT FROM
ACROSS-THE-BOARD INDUSTRIAL TARIFF REDUCTIONS.

4. FOGARTY VOLUNTEERED THAT GOA WAS CONCERNED OVER EFFECT
OF CURRENT ADVERSE ECONOMIC CONDITIONS, CONTRASTING SHARPLY
WITH OPTIMISTIC SITUATION AT TIME OF TOKYO DECLARATION,
MIGHT GREATLY DAMPEN WILLINGNESS AND ABILITY OF MAJOR
PARTICIPANTS TO ENGAGE IN SIGNIFICANT TARIFF AND TRADE
LIBERALIZATION. WHILE HE DID NOT GO INTO DETAIL RE
PRESENT STATE OF GOA THINKING ON CHARACTER OF EVENTUAL
OFFERS, HE DID OBSERVE THAT CURRENT PERIOD WOULD BE
PARTICULARLY UNPROFITABLE TIME TO SEEK CABINET DECISIONS
ON SUCH POINTS. WE SPECULATED THAT IN THIS CONTEXT
TIMETABLE CONCEIVABLY MIGHT HAVE BENEFICIAL EFFECT BY
DEFERRING SOME CRUCIAL TARIFF DECISIONS UNTIL MORE SIGNS
OF RECOVERY IN OFFING. HARROP

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